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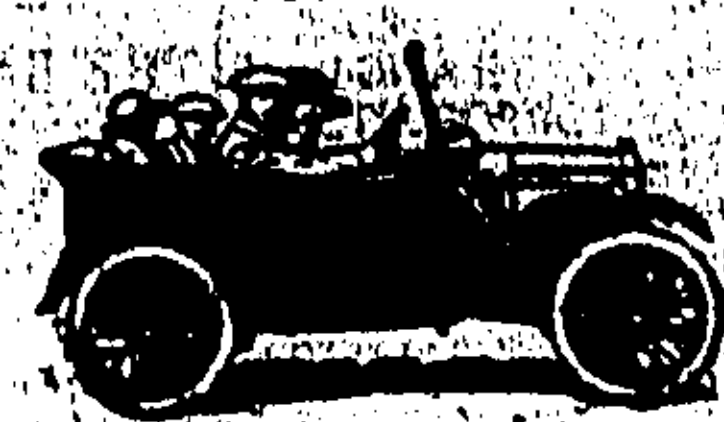
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ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE NOTABLES.
EGYPTIAN CHAUFFEUR'S COURAGE.
Horror Of The King And The Premier.

(Reuter's Service.)

Cairo, November 19.

An attempt to assassinate the Sirdar of Egypt, Sir Lee-Clive Stack, G.B.E., G.M.C., was made this afternoon.

Two bombs were thrown at him as he was driving from the Ministry of War. One exploded but did not injure the Sirdar.

Sirdar Badly Wounded.

Three of the four assailants escaped when the one bomb did not explode.

They fired several rounds from revolvers, hitting Sir Lee, his Aide-de-Camp, Captain Campbell of the Black Watch, the Egyptian chauffeur and a policeman. The Sirdar was badly wounded in the stomach and had to be taken to hospital.

How Attack Started.

The attack on the Sirdar was made in Shubra Khayma, a main and busy thoroughfare.

The Egyptian chauffeur, despite his wounds, drove off at full speed and brought the car to the Residence, which is nearer than the Sirdar's (Sirdar's residence).

General Stupefaction.

Viscount Allenby, F.M., High Commissioner for Egypt, Mr. H. H. Asquith and a number of other guests were having luncheon when the wounded were brought in. There was general stupefaction.

Zaghlul Tells King.

Zaghlul Pasha, the Egyptian Premier, in an interview with Reuter, speaking with deep emotion described his horror at seeing the wounded at the Residence.

He went to the Palace and informed the King, who was terribly pained to learn the news.

Premier Zaghlul added that an enquiry would be opened. The chauffeur of the taxi-cab had already been arrested. The Government would leave no stone unturned to bring the perpetrators to justice.

Appeal To Public.

Zaghlul Pasha has issued a communiqué, appealing to the public to aid the authorities, who are offering a reward of £10,000 for the apprehension of the criminals.

The Sirdar will undergo an operation at the Anglo-American Hospital.

The Sirdar had intended to leave for the Sudan last evening, but had postponed his departure until November 23.

News Of Injured.

The operation on the Sirdar has been successful. His condition is as good as can be expected.

A bulletin issued earlier stated that the Sirdar is suffering from the shock of three bullet wounds—in the stomach, hand and foot respectively. The A.D.C., Captain Campbell, of the Black Watch, was hit in the chest. The chauffeur was wounded in the arm and leg.

Official Sympathy.

Zaghlul Pasha and the other Ministers called at the Residence and expressed their profound shock and sorrow. A deputation from the Chamber expressed similar sentiments. Zaghlul Pasha is obviously deeply affected.

A Determined Attempt.

The Sirdar was being driven homewards when his assailants, secreted in a doorway of the stores department of the Ministry of Education, threw a bomb, which hit the motor-car. It did not explode, but rolled into the gutter.

The assailants followed the car, firing continually. The frightened occupants of a passing tram-car took shelter by lying down. One of the assailants crossed the road and re-loaded his revolver from a magazine handed to him by a man standing on the pavement.

A policeman, who pursued the assailant, was hit three times and seriously wounded.

Assailants Escape.

The assailants entered a taxi-cab, which was waiting in a side street. Two Englishmen, on a motor-cycle with side-car, slowed down for the purpose of taking the number of the taxi-cab. Thereupon a man jumped out of the taxi-cab and fired repeatedly at the motor-cyclist. He missed his aim, however. The taxi-cab then sped off.

It is noteworthy that Mr. H. H. Asquith, who is taking a holiday in Egypt, had an audience with King Fuad this morning.

The bullet was found lodged under the lung. The stomach was full of blood, but the intestines were not perforated and the stomach muscles are intact. Transfusion was proceeded with and has done good. The Sirdar's condition near midnight was more hopeful.

It is now thought there were about eight assailants involved. They escaped in two taxis.

BLASTING.

TWO MEMBERS OF C.S.C.C.
INJURED.

YESTERDAY'S MISHAPS

Obviously the contractors who are engaged in cutting down the hill adjoining Morrison Gap Road for the Praya East reclamation scheme are faced with great difficulties in carrying out blasting operations without disturbing the amenities of the Clubs and neighbouring houses at Happy Valley.

When the contractors were fired a few weeks ago for careless blasting, it was pointed out by Divisional Inspector Aris that the danger of being hit by flying fragments was a frequent one, and apparently very heavy charges were used to fill the holes made by electric drills. The contractors explained the difficulty of using screens owing to the sloping nature of the hill and the height at which blasting was done.

Some fragments dislodged by a blasting charge were thrown into the Civil Service Cricket Club ground last evening, striking and injuring Mr. Cullip and Mr. Harper, fortunately not very seriously. The former sustained an injury over his eye, and the latter was hit in the lip and left leg. Both these gentlemen immediately proceeded to the Naval Hospital for medical attention.

The opium revenue in the Straits Settlements for the third quarter of 1924 amounts to \$2,665,777 as against \$3,549,778 in the corresponding quarter of 1923.

Admitting that he had contravened regulations by making fast to the s.s. "Poochow," when under way on November 12 the master of the motor-boat "Sing Pook" was fined \$10 at the Marine Court by Lieut.-Commander G. F. Hole, R. N. (Magistrate) this morning.

STOP PRESS.

KOWLOON HOSPITAL.

The "China Mail" learned this afternoon that the Government had decided to accept the recommendation of the Kowloon Residents' Association not to staff the Kowloon Hospital with sisters of the Maryknoll Mission. This will mean presumably that British nurses will be employed instead.

"DASTARDLY ATTACK."

ABERDEEN MURDER TRIAL.

DEATH SENTENCE PASSED.

Prisoner Shakes His Head.

The trial of the Chinese charged with the murder of a boatwoman in Aberdeen harbour on September 23, came to a conclusion at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The Chief Justice, Sir Henry Cowper Gollan, presided over the Sessions.

Mr. J. H. B. Nihill prosecuted for the Crown and Mr. H. S. Fitzroy defended.

Inspector Earner was the last witness to be called for the prosecution. He gave evidence of finding the bloodstained knife and a boat pole with bloodstains on it in the boat shortly after the report had been made of the occurrence.

In answer to Mr. Fitzroy witness said that all the bloodstains he found on the boat were under the canopy. This was three feet in height and there was no possibility of the boat-pole being wielded under it.

Question of Identification.

Mr. Nihill, concluding the case for the Crown, emphasised the identification of the prisoner as one of the men who had boarded the deceased's boat and asked the jury to find that he had gone on board with his friend sharing a common intent, that one of them had attacked and stabbed the woman and that as a result of this she received injuries to the head from which she died. If they were convinced on this they had no option but to find him guilty of murder.

Prisoner not Called.

Mr. Fitzroy, addressing the court for the defence, said he was not calling prisoner to give evidence. He did not want to minimise the dastardly and uncalled for attack which had been made on the boatwoman but the first thing they had to settle was whether there had been any murder at all committed. Dr. Kenny had told them that the haemorrhage which had caused the woman's death was due in his opinion to the blow on the side of the head. There was no abrasion and no blood could issue from the wound which was not really a wound at all but a bruise. Asked by him (Mr. Fitzroy) how long he thought the injury might have been inflicted prior to his examination of the woman, Dr. Kenny had said he could not go to a week or even 3 days but it might have been inflicted 36 hours before i.e. 7 p.m. on the

22. He had agreed that the injury might have been caused by a sudden rising against the sampan par.

The wound in the neck had been said by Dr. Kenny to have had no effect on the woman's death and even if the jury were inclined to think that the prisoner struck the blow they would have no choice but to acquit him of the charge of murder. Even if they considered that a murder had been committed they had to be convinced in their own minds beyond any possible shadow of doubt whatever that that the two men had gone on board with common intent to commit a felony. The Crown, whose duty it was to prove such premeditation, had produced not a scrap of evidence in proof of their contention.

Judge Sums up.

The Chief Justice in a short recapitulation of the evidence directed the jury's attention to the fact that the only man who could throw light on what had taken place was the prisoner who was not called to give evidence on his behalf and to the discrepancies in the statements made by the prisoner. His second might have been made after consideration and a realisation that the first committed him. The jury had to be convinced that the two men had boarded the boat with common intent to commit a felony. The fact that they boarded the boat together was not evidence of complicity in a common purpose.

The jury retired for twenty-five minutes at the conclusion of which the foreman announced that they had unanimously found the prisoner guilty of murder.

Final Scene.

In passing sentence of death the Chief Justice told the prisoner that he had been found guilty of a cruel murder—that he had taken part in an attack upon a hardworking woman.

Prisoner stood with bowed head whilst the black cap was put on and particulars of the sentence read out. Slowly he shook his head and muttered inaudibly when the translation was finished and in obedience to the grasp of the warden walked to the dock stairs and disappeared from view.

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Hongkong, 19th November, 1924.

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AN Examination for New Boys will be held on MONDAY, November 24th, at the school, 6 Prospect Place, (off Bonham Road) at 9 a.m.

There are a few vacancies both for boarders and day-boys; and a new class for beginners will be formed.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1924.

FOOTBALL.

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By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th Nov., 1924.

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Hongkong, November 3, 1924.

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THE PUBLIC is hereby notified of a change in the Train Service commencing 12th instant. For particulars please see timetables.

H. P. WINSLOW, Manager.

Hongkong, 10th November, 1924.

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PARTICULARS and Conditions of Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 24th day of November, 1924, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of OROWY LAND at Repulse Bay of the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

With a home-made three-valve receiving set, Mr. P. H. Macdonald, of Cornwall-gardens, Kensington, W., heard a church service broadcast from New York State.

Within 24 hours a coster named Goole and a lad named Carpenter were knocked down by motor-omnibuses and fatally injured at the same spot at West Belling, W.

Mr. L. M. Bergin, managing director of the Dunlop Rubber Company, Limited, will retire on December 31. Sir J. George Beharrell will continue as managing director.

Constable William Price of the Staffordshire police, was fined 4s. at Walsall for being drunk and disorderly, it being stated that he was so abusive that he had to be put in a cell.

Canadian Army officers and men stood at the salute at the Cenotaph in Whitehall when Mr. E. M. Macdonald, the Canadian Minister of National Defence, placed a wreath there.

To be sunk at sea off Portsmouth in January in compliance with the Washington Treaty, the battleship "Monarch" has been for two years used for experimental torpedo and other attacks.

Bradford Chamber of Commerce has decided to exhibit again if the Wembley Exhibition is reopened next year, providing the existing debt of £6,000 on the exhibits is wiped off by the trade.

When Harry Childs, 46 a Clapton labourer, and his daughter Beatrice, aged 16, were charged at North London with loitering for the purpose of street betting the father was fined £10 and the girl £7.

Among exhibits offered during the "winding-up" sale in the Palestine Pavilion at Wembley is a box of Palestine olive wood containing Jordan water in a glass phial and shells from the Lake of Galilee.

To ensure that the Stars and Stripes shall always be flown from Sulgrave Manor, Northamptonshire, the old home of the Washington family, Mr. F. T. King, of New York, has invested £300 as an endowment.

For selling intoxicating liquor without a licence at the Plaza Club, Dorman-street, Shaftesbury-avenue, W., Henry Martin was fined £100 at Marlborough-street. The club was ordered to be struck off the register.

On charges of conspiring to defraud two Hereford bookmakers of £845 in all, Charles Albert Street, or I. Hunt, of Willesden Green, N.W., and Arthur Montin or Williams, of Stockwell, S.W., were committed by the Hereford magistrates for trial, each being allowed £1,000 bail.

A verdict of Manslaughter against George Frederick Travis, fire assessor, of Spring Villa, Springhead, Lancashire, was returned by the Oldham coroner's jury at the inquest on Hilda Hirst, Manchester-road, Mossley. The girl was one of five returning from a dance when a motor-car dashed into them from behind while they were linking arms and singing.

mullet taken in similar fashion off the Florida coast. The boat however, went out on a dark night and was provided with a strong flare in the bows. Then the surface of the water was beaten with the oar blades and the mullet jumped in scores, quite a number falling in the boat or into hand nets stretched to receive them.

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FOOCHOW.

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SHANGHAI.

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TAKAO.

Dec. 16—10.30 N.	Rusio Maru.
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KEELUNG.

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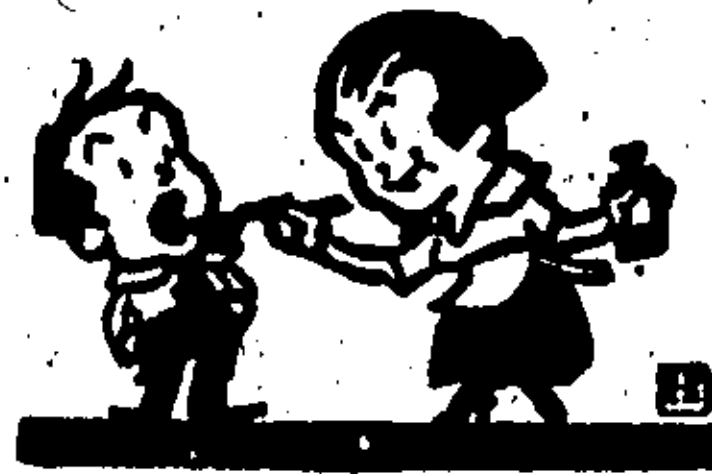
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FLOGGING CRIMINALS.

The stern sentence which Mr. Justice H. H. J. Gompertz passed on the robbers who assaulted Mrs. Deacon in broad daylight last month recalls a remark made by one of the unofficial members in the Legislative Council about two years ago. He said that the quality of mercy is not strained. Possibly this statement was not altogether original, but it was certainly very apposite at the time. Hongkong was experiencing one of its periodic crime waves, and the feeling was growing that the law was much too lenient. That feeling was voiced by our unofficial member. He conceded that the quality of mercy is not strained, but insisted that common sense, not less than mercy, demanded sterner sentences. And he was right.

Yes, the quality of mercy is not strained, but frequent use of the "cat" does have the effect of our unofficial member claimed. It does deter certain types of criminal, especially—to quote his very words—"cowards who snatch women's purse bags." Hongkong's history from the earliest days gives ample proof of that. Over fifty years ago crime was so acute in the Colony that the authorities found it necessary to introduce a system of branding and deporting criminals, flogging them if they returned. Five years later, so good were the results, the system was abolished. Within twelve months, however, crime was once more very serious, and the system was again introduced. This time it lasted four years. It might have lasted longer but

for the changes made by a new governor who stopped public flogging and branding, restricted the deportation of criminals and advocated lenient treatment for first offenders. What was the result? Twelve months later crime was worse than ever. Not only had it become necessary to resume the system of deporting criminals, but it had actually also become necessary to have two thirds of the police always on night duty. That was in 1879. Three years later the Legislative Council empowered the Governor in Council to banish aliens for five years and since then almost every year has seen further legislation to combat crime.

Flogging and branding are extreme measures, defensible, if ever, only in extreme straits. Hongkong, despite its sterner laws, may still have more than its share of cowards who snatch purse bags from women and wrench ear-rings from children, but the evil does not to-day demand methods which, necessary as they may have been fifty years ago, are scarcely desirable in these less troublous times. These crimes are frequent enough, however, still to demand special measures, such as the salutary sentence Mr. Gompertz meted out in Tuesday's particularly bad case. The quality of mercy is not strained, yes, but if an example has to be made to strike terror into the criminal heart that example, manifestly, must be effective.

That the example will prove effective we have no doubt. Twelve years' jail with hard labour and twenty strokes of the "cat" represent a deterrent that must surely send a chill down the spine of every evildoer who hears the dread news whispered in the Colony's underworld. Naturally of course it would be too much to expect that Tuesday's sentence will prevent similar robberies for any appreciable time. But it will certainly bring an interval of security during which ladies should be able to walk abroad with perfect safety. After that when the first new highway robbery is committed, another possible epidemic must be nipped in the bud in the same drastic way. Only thus can the Colony be kept safe for ladies.

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Losing Mail And Temper.

It seems almost a physical impossibility for some people to bestir themselves sufficiently to ensure their presence at appointed times; even more widespread is the habit of leaving the writing of letters until the last minute, often indeed until closing time for the mail has passed. Hongkong travellers by tram or ferry have ample evidence of this in the signs of disgust and disappointment which can often be seen on the faces of those who open their papers at the Post Office notification page. "Missed it again" is a remark frequently heard on such occasions. Hongkong residents, who have just awakened to the realisation that the last letters and parcels mails from Hongkong to Europe have closed, may be seen almost at any time just now at the counters of the P.O. making anxious enquiries. "Not another parcel mail for Europe until the 28th." "Cannot guarantee any letters posted now reaching England before Christmas?" The assistants must be getting quite used to these doleful echoes to their own replies to the same old queries. Of course, the proper thing to do is to smile and say something about it having to be changed to a New Year present or greeting, or even of risking the Siberian mail, but then one so often runs across people who do not do the proper thing. To rave at the assistants for delinquencies, which are purely one's own, is unfair and undignified. All of this, it must be apparent, arises out of some such incident witnessed in the P.O. recently. Such things are not in accord with the spirit of Christmas and, although it might be argued that they are best left ignored, it is just as well occasionally to remind those who find difficulty in controlling their feelings in public that displays of temper only make them appear ridiculous in the eyes of people who are near at the time. Just because one has lost the mail, there is no need to lose one's temper.

Is The Time Ripe?

With the return of Sir Robert Ho Tung to the Colony, the question naturally arises whether there is any likelihood of the Round Table Conference of the leaders in China being convened with any prospect of success. Sir Robert, it will be recalled, before leaving for Europe to attend the Wembley Conference, had approached all the leaders in China with a view to their meeting in conference and attempting to reach a common basis of understanding, whereby China might once again be put upon her feet to enable the vast resources of the country to be developed. With the exception of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, one and all agreed either to attend such a conference or to send an accredited representative. Wu Pei-fu did not give a flat refusal—in so many words he indicated that the time was not yet ripe. Reading between the lines and in the light of our present knowledge, it is not unfair to credit Wu Pei-fu with the honest belief at that time that he would shortly be in a position to speak for North China—if not for all the provinces with the exception of those owing allegiance to Dr. Sun Yat-sen. We write thus, because there is little doubt that Wu Pei-fu, even as recently as September last, expected shortly to draw the talons of the Manchurian war-lord, Marshal Chang Tso-lin. No one has any grounds for doubting Wu Pei-fu's honesty of purpose even though one need not necessarily agree with his methods for unification by the sword. His personal courage has been demonstrated times without number; and his actions during the past three weeks, since the defection of the Christian general, Feng Yu-hsiang, have proved his moral courage. It goes without saying that affairs can no longer be allowed to drift in China and if Sir Robert considers the time ripe, we can expect to see the round table conference scheme again made a live issue. If the consent of Wu Pei-fu can be obtained, half the battle will be won. By this we mean that the consent of Wu Pei-fu, to meet at the conference table, will be an open challenge to the other leaders in China, to make good the promises made to Sir Robert Ho Tung last year. Is the time ripe?

CHILD KILLED.

**P.W.D. MOTOR-VAN
 ALLEGED CAUSE.
 DRIVER IS DETAINED.**

An eleven-year old Chinese boy was knocked down and instantly killed by a steam lorry belonging to the Public Works Department at Wharf Street, Causeway Bay, yesterday. The driver and stoker have been detained by the police.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HONGKONG'S UNIVERSITY.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir,—Disunity is the present evil in China. Disunity is the curse of mankind. But the five hostels are populated by students, they are educated, they are orderly, they are amenable to reason. Let the reader now imagine a hyperexcited mob, drunk with fury, with clenched fists, clamouring for vengeance, with parched lips and fiery gesticulations thirsting for blood. The distance of difference between the former and the latter is the distance of infinity. Men who hold their own opinions and judgment sacred, men who can be united when once they are convinced of the righteous cause for which they stake their lives and sacrifice every earthly gain, men who act calmly, coolly, and step by step with firmness and fortitude, such were those who made China what she was in the ancient days of her glory, such are the men who will be responsible for her rise on an equal footing with other nations, let us hope, in the near future. To this great institution of learning, the Hongkong University, youths from all parts of the East flock for knowledge and enlightenment. The success in their future careers depends upon the knowledge they have imbibed and the foundations in characters they have formed. The nomenclature as it has stood and as it is standing to-day as regards the Union is the Hongkong University Union. From the alphabet, I select three letters, a, d, and u. These added in front of the word "Union" would build up another word with another meaning. It perhaps is more appropriate than the original one. I write with impartiality, I hate to recall to life the sources of the university trouble, which raised the rumour of a strike which missed its mark. Those who hoisted up the typhoon signal of a University strike will consult again the barometer and lower it down. They need not worry that it may be the central calm.

It has been said that those who are dissatisfied with the present system in the University had better quit it. Is this University student life to be a stagnant pool or a running river of progress directing its course towards improvement of conditions well-high pressing life out of the students in May Hall. Working for his selfish aims alone and dreaming day and night only of the degrees to lengthen his name is the unhappy lot of the book-worm.

"Earth has no place where time stands still."

Heaven no power to hold back change."

Again I must make it clear that I voice the sentiments of no party but write with an open mind, with respect to the authorities and sympathy to the student body as a whole. Incidents of the kind which has just occurred in this "lighthouse of the East" are not rare in other Universities and every student I am sure, evolves out of it, another man. One thing is plain; it demonstrated that a house constructed upon a mixture of rocks and shifting sands cannot stand the effects of time, another moral left behind and which every student can safely pick up is that mature consideration and entire patience should underlie all proceedings. Reason must be the guiding star, justice the attractive goal, self-sacrifice and courage the moving spirit. Whatever has happened, it has not created any very great disturbance within the portals of this University and let it be hoped that the student body will release into a bond of brotherhood worthy of this great institution and her motto, Sapientia et Virtus.

Yours etc.,
RATIONAL UNIONIST.
 Hongkong, November 19.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir,—It's time the public were given an insight into the matter regarding the University trouble. Without in any way trying to influence the Council or of holding the students up to ridicule, I must say that the cause of the recent trouble at the University was considerably exaggerated by those who had suffered rightly at the hands of the Senate. From what information I can gather, it appears that only one side of the question was presented to the students at their own mass meeting, held, I believe, on Tuesday morning. The case for the students who had suffered what they believed to be great injustice was made as vivid as possible. The students have suffered terrible injustice. Even in a

British Colony tyrants exist! The students have a principle to fight for, and, etc. What rot! If those responsible, and it is unnecessary for me to mention any names, had been frank they would have lost all sympathy. Instead by the art of gentle persuasion they convinced those ignorant of the true facts of the case that there was a principle to fight for. What principle? No one knows. Another mass meeting held on Wednesday evening (12th), resulted in a resolution to strike on Wednesday 19th (to-day) if the students did not get a fair trial or something of the sort. Meanwhile, fortunately, those who were fighting hard to bring the agitators to their senses had time in which to complete their schemes. As a result of certain investigations it was found that one of the leaders for the strike had grossly misrepresented matters and a letter of withdrawal from the proposed strike was signed by some seventy wise and independent students who knew how to use their own minds and to decide for themselves. Truly we have not yet got out of the era of spoon-feeding certain undergraduates. Another mass meeting was held yesterday, presumably to call off the strike, and, to give the agitators their only chance of saving their own "faces" I am given to understand that the "leaders of the opposition" purposely stayed away. Not content with saving their own faces, these agitators, I am told, tried to put the blame for everything on to the "leaders of the opposition" and tried to convince those who did not know which way to turn that the seventy were traitors. I am astonished at those students whom I once thought had some horse-sense. Apparently they lack even that. Their leader has certainly made an ass of himself.

"Dare to be true." Save yourselves, you strikers, from the mistakes you have consciously and unconsciously made and try to be men if you do not know how to be gentlemen. It is said that students go to a University to be prepared to be gentlemen. If these few agitators represent the crowd with whom they associate then we may hope to see few of our future graduates leave Hongkong as gentlemen. How these few ever got into office or became so boisterous, I do not know. Ask some undergraduate who is fully acquainted with the internal politics of the Students' Union. Suffice it to say the idea of a strike is definitely squashed. There can be no liberty where there is no law and in an institution like the University of Hongkong strict discipline is absolutely essential. "Truth is as impossible to be soiled by any outward act as the sunbeam," and "the truth shall make you free."

Yours etc.,
TRUTH.

Hongkong, November 19.

DOGS AND RABIES.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir,—I read in your paper the letter of the 18th inst. from "Sympathiser" with interest, and I quite sympathised with him as to an innocent dumb animal (i.e. dog), to be shot in cold blood as it was done to his dog.

This recent law published with regard to dogs roaming around between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., are to be shot when found on the roads or streets causes most of the owners of such animals (i.e. dogs) to be chained up between the prohibitive hours, so as to prevent their pets from getting free by going out to the roads or streets.

These animals were once set free all day and night by their owners to have them roaming round the gardens, paths and yards of their masters' or mistresses' houses so as to guard the robbers from breaking into the houses, when this law was not enforced.

If the robbers have heard that the dogs are to be chained up each night during the prohibitive hours, they would have an easier time from being disturbed by the watch dogs of the houses, while they are getting on with the loot. But strict steps should prevent that happening.

I also quite agree with "Sympathiser's" idea to have the dogs examined for rabies; when they are caught on the roads or streets during the prohibitive hours of each night, rather to have them shot.

I should suggest that the kind doctors should try every possible way to have these kinds of disease cured by giving them some suitable medicine or other ways, to those dogs who had them, and also to prevent them from spreading to other dogs.

I hope that this step should be taken immediately.

Yours etc.,
M. H. C.
 Hongkong, November 19.

HUGE OPIUM CARGO.

SAID TO HAVE BEEN SHIPPED TO MACAO.

INTERESTING RUMOURS.

Value Reported To Be Several Lakhs.

That a large shipment of opium has reached the neighbouring port of Macao was the substance of a rumour in the Colony this morning. About 300 chests, each containing from 117 to 122 pounds of Persian raw opium are stated to have been discharged at Macao. Each chest is really four small chests, each bound round with matting and very securely packed as is the case with valuable cargo of this sort.

Values vary when considered from the point of view of the port of shipment and when landed and delivered to the buyer who converts it into prepared opium, but a conservative estimate would be several lakhs.

CRICKETERS DINE.

INTERPORT SEASON CELEBRATED.

CLUB JOLLIPLICATIONS.

HOT QUETS FOR HONGKONG.

Congratulations by the defeated teams to Hongkong on obtaining the victory which was attributed largely to their excellent fielding, admissions by the Hongkong skipper that if there was any luck going in the games it had been in favour of his side, and references to the possibilities of getting a combined Shanghai and Hongkong team to visit Malaya—these were the principal points touched upon in the speeches made at the dinner given at the Hongkong Club, yesterday evening, in honour of the visiting cricket teams. There were, of course, plenty of side issues on nothing in particular although it was followed very carefully. It was possible to follow the relationship traced, for instance, by Capt. Barrett between colonial slaying and cricket shooting!

Mr. G. M. Young, the Chairman of the Club presided and was supported by, among others, the General Officer Commanding, Major-General Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., the Colonial Secretary (Sir) Claude Severn, K.B.E., C.M.G., the Chief Justice (Sir) Henry Gollum, Capt. R. L. M. Barrett, Mr. E. A. Holmes-Brown (Captain of the Malaya team), Mr. H. R. B. Hancock (Captain of the Hongkong team), Mr. H. P. White, Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, and Mr. T. J. Pearce.

After the toast of H.M. the King had been appropriately honoured, the Chairman proposed the toast of the Shanghai, Malaya and Hongkong teams, coupling with it the names of the three Captains. He wished all the visitors a good innings in the future and a pleasant voyage home to their "Northern ports" and "other quarters" (Applause).

Capt. Barrett's Speech.

"On occasions of this sort it is not considered polite to refer to unpleasant subjects," said Capt. Barrett in replying to the toast, "but there is one unpleasant subject I must touch upon and that is the result of the Shanghai and Hongkong match. I suggest that our hosts will see to it that this does not occur again. I should like to take this opportunity of congratulating my old friend Dick Hancock and his merry men on winning the rubber. (Applause). I have not the slightest doubt in my own mind that the best team of the three came out tonight. (Fear, heart). It is true that we got a jolly good hiding, and that Malaya very nearly beat Hongkong, and that was beat Malaya very luckily; therefore there is not a great deal in it. (Laughter). But I must say that Hongkong made the most of their opportunities and were thoroughly deserving of the victories they gained. (Applause). It was particularly delightful to us and to me personally and to every man in this room, that our old friend Dick Hancock was the mainstay of the Hongkong side at the end and won the match for them. (Cheers).

Capt. Barrett described Mr. Hancock as a wonderful type of all that is best in cricket. He was the type that the young men of to-day might well take as a model in the future.

Capt. Barrett paid a tribute to Quayle's fine century, describing it as one of the finest exhibitions of plucky hitting that he had ever seen in an Interport match, and to Dr. O'Hara's marvellous bowling, sending down 25 overs in what might be described as "the evening of his life" with hardly a bad ball among them.

Malaya's Invitation.

Mr. Holmes Brown, the Captain of the Malaya team, also responded to the toast, and said he had been making enquiries with regard to the possibilities of Shanghai and Hongkong sending teams down to Malaya, and had discovered that the consensus of opinion was that it might be possible to get a combined China side to make the journey. Cricketers in Malaya would welcome them and would possibly be able to arrange to get O'Leary to send a team at the same

SOCIAL AMENITIES.

NEIGHBOURS TO SETTLE OUT OF COURT.

The case in which Mrs. Grimmett, of No. 155, Wanchai Road, summoned Mrs. S. Spanton and Mrs. J. Fowler, her neighbours living at No. 157, for using abusive language, and who in turn was cross-summoned by the latter for the same offence, was heard before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Leo d'Almada appeared for the latter and asked for a week's formal remand as it was hoped that by that time the matter would be settled outside of Court.

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton, representing Mrs. Grimmett, agreed to the postponement, and the case was adjourned sine die.

WORLD THEATRE.

"BROADWAY AFTER DARK."

Scenes that beggar description, episodes more bizarre than any found in the Thousand and One Nights, a veritable fairyland of midnight adventure abound in "Broadway After Dark", the excellent picture showing at the World Theatre this evening. It was adapted from the Owen Davis play and the cast is headed by such celebrities as Adolphe Menjou, Norma Shearer, Anne Q. Nilsson, Willard Louis and thousands others. It is a picture that you can't afford to miss.

time. He sincerely hoped that his suggestion would be acted upon. (Applause).

Mr. Hancock Replies.

The home skipper, Mr. Hancock, was loudly applauded when he rose to reply on behalf of the Hongkong team. He described the matches as the most enjoyable he had ever played in. The cricket on all sides was bright and the bowling was particularly good. Capt. Barrett was a very modest man, otherwise he would have put himself on against Hongkong. Why he did not do so he did not know. He did not suppose that many knew that his analysis was six wickets for an average of five runs apiece. (Applause).

Touching upon a personal note, Mr. Hancock congratulated his own men upon their fielding. "Gentlemen," he continued, "the game of cricket is in the very best sense of the word British. It absolutely belongs to England. Other countries have tried to play it but I do not think they have been very successful. I think the reason is that it has worked itself into the very marrow of English life." (Applause).

Some of them were getting on and one or two members of his side were feeling that their time had come, but others would take their places. He thought it was safe to anticipate that when the youngest member of their team had taken off his pads for the last time, there would be another cricketer just as good as himself to take his place. (Applause). "Gentlemen, the love of sport is a British characteristic, and cricket is one of the finest of our national games." It is certainly up to the next generation to see that the game is played in the proper spirit of sportsmanship and friendly rivalry. See to it, every one of you, especially the young fellows, that you keep the game as unspoiled as possible. (Cheers).

The Guests.

The toast of the guests was proposed by the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird who coupled with it the name of the Commodore, who, he said, bore an honoured name in the cricket world. He regretted the impending departure of His Excellency the General Officer Commanding and of the Commodore and his sporting Secretary.

Commodore Grace replied in a breezy and happy speech, and in reply to general calls, Dr. O'Hara rose and made some humorous observations upon Interport and other games.

The remainder of the evening was spent in music and song, and the hour of midnight brought a very happy gathering to a close.

H.K.J.C.

WEIGHT ALLOTTED FOR SEVENTH EXTRA.

Under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club, the seventh extra race-meeting will be held at Happy Valley on Saturday November 29. Below will be found the weights allotted in the three handicaps included in the card:

2.—KILMARNOCK HANDICAP: "A" CLASS: SIX FURLONGS.—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd \$150. 3rd \$100.

Prince Regent	168
Spotted Sand	161
Hartfield	160
Rothsary (late Ramsbury)	159
Kashmir	159
Fernleuf (late Silvipalana)	157
Magnificent Dahlia	156
Silver Spear	156
Gold Leaf (late English Money)	155
Clover Club (late Portland)	155
Roman Parrot	154
Valiant Dahlia	152
Rivergrass	151
Rialto Star	150
Peniculate	150
Koh-I-Noor	150
Strathfarrar	148
Zenda	146

3.—TROON HANDICAP: ONE MILE.—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd \$150. 3rd \$100.

Spotted Sand	165
Rothsary (late Ramsbury)	163
Hartfield	162
Kashmir	161
Gold Leaf (late English Money)	159
Fernleuf (late Silvipalana)	159
Valiant Dahlia	157
Roman Parrot	156
Silver Spear	156
Clover Club (late Portland)	156
Satisfaction Dahlia	155
Magnificent Dahlia	154
Peniculate	153
Koh-I-Noor	152
Zenda	152
Rialto Star	151
Gaudie	149
Langsat	149
Hailsham	149
Loch Ramnoch	148
Duke of Fries (late Silver Leaf)	148
Starland	147
King Johnnie	146
Day of Surprise	145
Waltham	142
Patsai	142
Manchurian Prince (late Petrol King)	140

5.—KILMARNOCK HANDICAP: "B" CLASS SIX FURLONGS.—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd \$150. 3rd \$100.

N.B.—Entries are the same as for Race 2, ponies to be classified by the Handicapper.

Orient Dahlia	160
Langsat	159
Impressible	158
Duke of Fries (late Silver Leaf)	158
Loch Ramnoch	157
Hailsham	156
Gaudie	155
King Johnnie	154
Day of Surprise	153
Patsai	152
Duke (late Henry VIII)	151
White Rose (late Harkaway)	150
Peninsula Land	148
Exchange Bill (late Marygold and late Carnation)	148
Cottongrass	147
Manchurian Prince (late Petrol King)	146
Golden Jubilee	146
Pet Mouse	145
Uncle George	143

SAVAGE DOGS.

TWO MORE PERSONS BITTEN.

Two further cases of attacks by dogs were reported yesterday. In the first case a gardener was bitten by a pointer belonging to Mr. Murdoch, of No. 192, The Peak. The man was sent to the Government Civil Hospital, and the dog is now kept under observation at Kennedy Town.

The other case was reported by Rev. L. G. Phillips, headmaster of Ying Wa College, Bonham Road. Yang Kai-sun, a student, was suddenly attacked and bitten by a chow dog belonging to the College. The injured boy was sent to the Ho Mui Ling Hospital nearby. In this instance also the dog was taken to Kennedy Town.

Admiral Sir Cyril Arthur George Bridge, G.C.B., of Coombe Place, Coombe Warren, Kingston Hill, Surrey, who saw service in the White Sea during the Crimean War and in Indian waters during the Indian Mutiny, afterwards Director of Naval Intelligence and successively Commander-in-Chief on the Australian and China Stations, who died on August 16, aged 85, left unsettled property of the gross value of £16,116, with net personalty £10,970. He directed that his insignia of the Bath should be returned to the secretary of the Order.

OPIUM CONFERENCE.

BISHOP BRENT EXPLAINS U.S. ATTITUDE.

SINGLE-MINDEDNESS IS SLOGAN.

(Reuter's Service.)

GENEVA, Nov. 19. The chief speaker at the Opium Conference today was Bishop Brent of the United States, who voiced America's single-mindedness for tackling the evil.

Pursuing An Ideal.

He declared they had advanced beyond the stage of pious aspirations; they must prepare for action. Alluding to the situation in China, Bishop Brent said they must eliminate economic difficulties and the rest would be easy. "Let the conference not adjourn until it has declared in a practical way that it is determined to pursue the ideal until it is realised."

AN OLD OFFENDER.

FIVE YEARS' JAIL FOR PRIEST.

(Reuter's Service.)

RANGOON, Nov. 19. The Buddhist priest, Naganda, who twice previously has been convicted of political offences, has been sentenced to five years' rigorous imprisonment. He was convicted of making a seditious speech in Mandalay.

DOPE TRAFFIC.

VICTORIA ASSEMBLY TAKES STERN MEASURES.

"CAT" FOR CONVICTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

VICTORIA, November 19. The Legislative Assembly have passed a resolution, authorising the lash as the penalty for persons convicted of trafficking in narcotics or drugs.

OIL.

ANGLO-PERSIAN STOCK AND GOVERNMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, November 19. It is officially announced that the British Government has informed the Anglo-Persian Oil Company that they do not intend to dispose of the Government's holding of shares in the Company.

ALLEGED ROBBERS.

SMART POLICE WORK ON TUESDAY.

THIRD ARREST MADE.

The smart capture by the police of the three men who are alleged to be concerned in the attack and robbery on a Chinese woman and her foki early on Tuesday morning near Jardine's bazaar, was mentioned this morning when the men were brought up at the Central Magistracy before Mr. N. L. Smith, and remanded. One of the men was also charged with possession of a dagger.

Alert Chinese Police.

It will be recalled that the woman was pressed against a wall and robbed of \$50, but freeing herself she blew a whistle which brought two Chinese constables to the spot who gave chase and caught two men. A further arrest was made by the police later.

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FANCY DRESS BALL SWELLS FUNDS.

The "China Mail" learns that \$1,740.14 (dollars one thousand seven hundred and forty cents fourteen) were made out of the Fancy Dress Ball organised by the Naval and Dockyard Branch of the Hongkong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League on November 7.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Langkat	18.50 Buyers
Erwe	51.40 Buyers
Shanghai Docks	68 Buyers
New Engineering	6.75 Buyers
Oriental	3.70 Buyers
Shanghai Cotton	54 Buyers

The above kindly supplied by Messrs. J. Gould & Co., who the opening quotations on the Shanghai Market this morning.

TENANTS WHO VACATE.

CAN THEY CLAIM POWERS OF RE-ENTRY?

SUMMARY COURT CASE.

A firm which had vacated premises at 86 Des Voeux Road Central owing to the pulling down of a party wall between the house, and one adjoining and, as they claimed, the consequent thefts of their property, claimed through Mr. T. G. Bennet in the Summary Court this morning, a declaration that they are the tenants of the third floor of the premises, an injunction restraining the defendants from denying them access and damages for the breaking of an implied covenant by them with the plaintiffs for the quiet enjoyment of the occupation of the said house. The plaintiff firm was the Tai Fung Tsoung and the plaintiff Au Yeung Sul. The latter were represented by Mr. C. H. Lyson.

Mr. Lyson contended that the right of the plaintiffs to re-enter the premises after vacation had been opposed on the grounds that the floor had been originally let to a man who had nothing to do with the firm. If that defence failed he claimed that the firm had voluntarily given up their rights by vacating.

(Case proceeding.)

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

JACK LONDON'S NOVEL SCREENED.

Elevator boys are not the only ones who travel from the bottom to the top, as is instanced by the career of Mitchell Lewis, the well-known screen actor, who is a member of the all-star cast of "The Mutiny of the Elsinore," the Metro picturization of Jack London's celebrated novel that will be shown to-day at the Queen's Theatre.

For Mr. Lewis began his stage career as a "grip," whose business it is to shift the scenery between the acts. This was in the old Opera House in Syracuse, New York, some twenty years ago, when Mr. Lewis was nothing more than a boy. Here he responded to his first call of the theatre, which he has since confessed was the dream of his earliest boyhood. But young Mitchell was not destined to remain a "grip" for long, his keen interest in every phase of the business as well as a cheerful willingness to do others' work soon led to his being assigned small parts in the visiting shows that came and stayed a week and then departed.

Following his initiation into the fraternity of acting, young Mitchell obtained an engagement in "The Chinese Honey-moon," a musical play that at the time was highly popular. Engagements with several other musical plays followed, until he appeared in the revival of "The Two Orphans," in 1903, which production contained one of the greatest all-star casts in theatrical history. This cast included Clara Morris, James O'Neill, Kyrie Bellew, Jameson Lee Finney, and others, and was considered one of the most notable revivals in the annals of the drama.

Buster Keaton is also to be seen in his latest and funniest Comedy "The Goat" in two reels.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

November 20.—Coronet Theatre; "Signal Tower."
November 20.—Star Theatre; "Littlejohn Revue Co."
November 20.—World Theatre; "Broadway After Dark."
November 20.—Queen's Theatre; "The Mutiny of the Elsinore."
November 21.—Cinematograph display at Helens May Institute, 5 p.m.

DANCE.

November 25.—Hongkong St. Andrew's Society, practice dance at the City Hall.

SPORTS.

December 21.—St. George's and St. Andrew's Societies' Golf match.
November 23.—R.H.Y.C. sailing match against Royal Navy.

LAND SALE.

November 24.—At P. W. D. Offices, one lot of Crown Land, 8 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

November 21.—Lammut Bros. at Sales Room, miscellaneous goods, 11 a.m.

November 25.—Lammut Bros. at Sales Room, Postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

November 27.—Lammut Bros. at H.K. & K.W. and Godown Co., Ltd., West Point, antimony ore, 11 a.m.

OTHER MEETINGS.

November 24.—Half-yearly meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club at the Jockey Club room, Hongkong Club, 5.30 p.m.
November 28.—General meeting of shareholders of the Bank of China Ltd., Prince's Building, Chater Road, noon.

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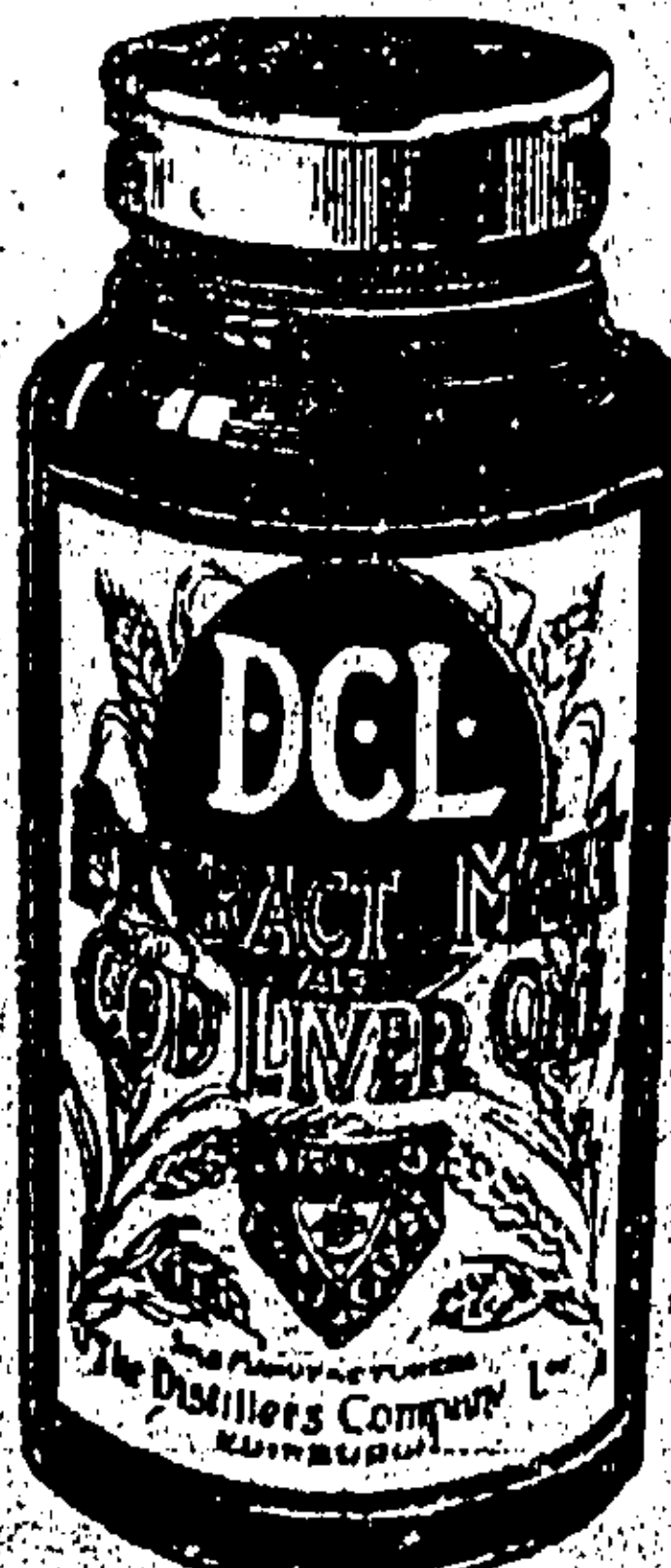
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The profit of Inch Kenneth Rubber Estates for year ended June 30, including £847, brought in, is £4,983. Dividend 7½ per cent. for year, less tax, and £1,404 forward.

As the result of poisoning after eating some herbs picked up on the street, two small boys, brothers in a family living at No. 70, Third Street, were admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday.

There will be a Cinematograph Display at the Helena May Institute to-morrow, Friday, November 21, at the Children's Hour, 5 o'clock. Ticket 50 cents each, family ticket for 3 people \$1.00.—*Advt.*

According to the "Bangkok Times," one of the stories being filtered on the Bishop of Singapore while in Bangkok recently is that of the young curate in Singapore, who on being invited to have a drink, replied: "No thanks, I'm not thirsty."

The battleship "Monarch," which was paid off at Portsmouth last June, is to be sunk in deep water in accordance with the conditions of the Washington Treaty. It is believed to be the first time a ship of the Royal Navy has been so disposed of; but the Australian battleship "Australia" met with a similar fate off Sydney Heads in the presence of the Special Service Squadron last April.

The mail boat "Groitus," belonging to the Nederland Steamship Company, in her last voyage from Genoa, arrived at Batavia two days earlier than her scheduled time. This was her fifth voyage, and the trip was made in 2½ days. The unbroken record from Marseilles to Java is still held by the "Slamat" of the Rotterdamse Lloyd, which usually does the journey in about 21½ days.

The King and Queen, before they bring their stay in the Highlands to a close, will give their usual ball for the domestic staff there and at Marl Lodge, the home of the Princess Royal (remarks the "Star"). The dance, which is always a very enjoyable function, takes place in the ballroom of the Castle, which is specially decorated for the occasion. The King and Queen make it a point to be present in person, and lead off the dancing with the two senior servants present.

General Ma Liang, leader of the famous "Maskee Die" soldiers who were stationed on the Sungkiang front during the war but did not exactly live up to their name, is reported to be very active in Tientsin trying to get Marshal Tuan Chi-jui to come out and assume the Presidency.

Hongkong apparently made an irresistible appeal to a Chinese banisher, who was sentenced only in July last, as he was found in the Colony again. When the man was brought up at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, the Magistrate sentenced him to twelve months' hard labour.

Shoes and gloves to match in stamped, coloured leather are (remarks the "Daily Telegraph") being displayed in shops at the present time. There is hardly a limit to the colours and combinations of colour in which they can be secured. Shoes and gloves which are elaborately tooled are also being sold. Though the export trade is not so brisk as it was when it first appeared two years ago, it is still extremely popular with a large section of the public.

While W. Loveridge, the Shipley golf professional, was playing on the Cleveland course, Redcar, his ball, driven from the 11th tee, came to rest in long grass apparently on the back of a toad. When Loveridge approached the toad jumped clear, and the ball fell into a hole. Loveridge pushed the toad away, but it jumped back on the ball, pressing it so deep into the hole as to make it unplayable. The point arose whether a penalty stroke should be incurred for lifting, but it was decided that the ball having been moved by an agency outside the game the rule should not apply.

In Australia it is the usual thing for the hookaburn, which we know as the laughing jackass, to destroy snakes and other husband pests. Not long ago, while some workmen were demolishing an old building, they were surprised to see a hookaburn on the ground, helplessly inter-twined by a big black snake. The men quickly rushed to the rescue, and while one pinned the snake's head to the ground another succeeded in setting free the unfortunate bird. So thankful was the bird for regaining its freedom that it immediately flew on to a tree close by and hunched for half an hour.

The first privately owned motor car in Changsha recently made its appearance on the roads outside the city. It is an English machine of small wheelbase and width, but even a car of this reduced size is unable to pass through the narrow streets in the city.

A draft of 200 non-commissioned officers and men of the 1st Battalion Royal Sussex Regiment, Londonderry, has joined the 2nd Battalion at Singapore. This will be the only draft of consequence sent to the 2nd Battalion during the present season.

The sale of the "Peking Daily News" to an unknown group of Peking politicians is reported. The sale was consummated between representatives of the Ministry of Communications, the former owners, and the new syndicate on October 29, and all papers and documents signed the following day, says the "Far Eastern Times."

The Kobe Harbour Office, in which over 40 officials are employed, and for which about ¥400,000 is required per annum, is now under the control of the Home Department, but as a result of the central Government's revision of the administrative system the office is to be abolished from the next fiscal year, when the work is to be taken over by the Kobe Custom House.

It has been suggested that as war in China consists largely in making a noise to frighten the enemy, fire-crackers should be used in place of expensive ammunition. It appears that something of this sort is being done, says the "Japan Chronicle." A Shanghai paper reports that a quarter of a million rifle cartridges which were seized by the authorities recently were found to have bullets of rolled paper, painted black.

A German seaman by the name of K. F. Kanchflus, was brought into the Mixed Court at Shanghai for being drunk and disorderly near the Hanbury Institute on Thursday evening last. The case was remanded for a special Assessor, Mr. F. A. Gee, manager of the Institute, appeared against the man and said that the German was using bad language before a woman and two small children while drunk. When an attempt was made to arrest the man, police witnesses said that he told them he was a German and could do anything he liked.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Lady Guillemard, accompanied by Mrs. Branton and Mr. C. V. Wilson, arrived at Singapore by the "Mantua."

The marriage has taken place in England of Edward Douglas Money, partner of Messrs. Boustead Bros. Colombo, with Edith Lilian Fraser.

A regrettable accident occurred at the Ice Works at Litchfield yesterday when Mr. J. Sullivan, an American, had a fall and fractured his leg.

Madame Galli-Curci, the famous singer, has arrived in London. She will receive £20,000 for six weeks' tour of Britain. One hundred thousand tickets have been sold already.

Straits papers learn that Mr. P. H. Henshaw, acting General Manager, F.M.S. Railway, has come to Singapore from Kuala Lumpur to undergo a serious operation.

The engagement is announced, and the marriage will shortly take place, between Leslie Forbes, Malaysian Civil Service, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Forbes, of Edinburgh, and Margaret Elaine, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bidlake, of Ivyhurst, Redhill, Surrey.

Mr. W. F. Nutt, who is now attached to the firm of Sir Francis Peck & Co., has arrived from Hongkong, and is at present the guest of H. E. the Governor of the Straits and Lady Guillemard at Government House, Singapore. Mr. Nutt expects to remain in Singapore for a few days, and after visiting the F.M.S. he will proceed to Java.

A large number of people were on the "Kashgar" at Singapore to bid farewell to Mr. F. M. Budgeley, who is going home prior to taking up his new appointment of Chief Secretary, Nigeria. During his services in Malaya Mr. Budgeley has always been a most popular official, and he takes with him the best wishes of all communities for success in the important post to which he has been called.

A Reuter cable from Madrid announces that General Serrano and a Spanish Lieutenant-Colonel have been killed in Morocco.

Dr. Oscar Trautmann, Councillor of the German Embassy in Tokyo, has been recalled to Berlin, where he will be given an important post in recognition of the services given by him in connection with the return by the Japanese Government of the German property in Japan. While in Berlin, Dr. Trautmann will take a principal part in the negotiations connected with the new German-Japanese Treaty of Commerce.

Major General Sir R. S. F. Henderson, K.C.M.G., the noted military doctor, whose death is reported, was born in Calcutta in 1858 and was the son of a former Senior Chaplain of Bengal. Educated at Bedford Grammar School, and Pettes College, Edinburgh, and later at Edinburgh University, where he took his degree in medicine, Sir Robert Henderson entered the Army Medical Service in 1884. He served in various campaigns in the Sudan, Burma, the North-West Frontier of India and South Africa, winning up a distinguished career by sterling service during the late European war.

Mr. Hereford T. Cowling, after visiting Peking for about a fortnight, left recently on the International Train for Tientsin, having previously attempted to motor to the neighbouring city and being turned back. He is homeward bound. Mr. Cowling carries away with him a rich store of experiences which he has undergone in the last two years during which he has been Technical Director of the Round-World Travel Pictures Company. Perhaps the prime achievement of his wanderings is his successful penetration of Western China and subsequently the collection of pictures and notes on the journey. He has taken in that journey a great deal of the world's picture world for the first time. In that journey he has seen the world's picture world for the first time. In that journey he has seen the world's picture world for the first time.

Lady Severn has consented to distribute the prizes at Victoria British School, on Wednesday, November 26.

Miss Elizabeth Keith has returned to Shanghai after an extended tour in the south of China, and is arranging to hold a further exhibition of her woodcuts at the British Women's Association rooms.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Sayer, and Mr. C. B. Meyer of the Standard Oil Co., have booked passages by the "President McKinley" for the United States, sailing on November 23. Mr. W. H. McBride will be a passenger by the same ship.

The death has taken place of Commander R. D. Pinkney, O.B.E., of the P. and O. Company. Until recently, Captain Pinkney was in command of the "Khyber." He was later promoted to the command of the "Mantua" and died suddenly at Port Said on the first outward voyage.

The death is announced of Cardinal Michael Logue, Roman Catholic Primate of All Ireland since 1887. He was born in County Donegal in 1840 and was formerly Bishop of Raphoe, consecrated in 1879. In 1887 he was coadjutor to the late Primate and created Cardinal in 1893.

At Christ Church, Galle Face, Ceylon, on October 25, the marriage took place of Mr. Geoffrey Burton King, Assistant Superintendent of Survey, Ceylon, with Miss Max Maud Goodman, only daughter of Mr. C. S. Goodman, of the Public Works Department, and Mrs. Goodman. The bride was given away by her father, and had as bridesmaid Miss E. L. T. Burgess, of the Irrigation Department, acted as best man. The Rev. L. C. Haisfield officiated.

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GREAT FLEAS AND LITTLE FLEAS.

TUCHUNS ON THE WAR PATH.

[By K. H. In "Truth."]

Great fleas have little fleas upon their backs to bite 'em. And little fleas have lesser fleas, and so ad infinitum.

These classical lines illustrate concisely the existing situation in China. The little fleas and the lesser fleas, in the shape of minor Tuchuns (military governors) and their hangers-on, are more or less continually on the bite; the ultimate source of all nourishment is, of course, the *ad infinitum* millions who form the masses in China, and whose life is one long struggle to keep on the right side of the border line between existence and slow death by starvation.

From time to time the Great Fleas become active, and such an event has now taken place. Super-Tuchuns are abroad upon their stamping grounds, and the turmoil of their preparations has come across the cables to baffle the Tuchuns of British breakfast-tables. It is the tremendous ambition of this article to outline in a few words what is happening in China.

It is very doubtful whether any man can supply a fully satisfactory explanation as to why anything unusual is happening at all; it is not unlikely that there is no explanation. This is absurd in England, but logical in China. One can only say with certainty, that China is changing fast, both spiritually and materially. We are still somewhat uncertain as to what she has been, and we can only guess at what she may become. It seems probable that in the future we shall look back and consider that these civil wars which from time to time are reported in the English press were the growing pains of Modern China.

The history of the present war is simple enough. In 1923, Chi-Tuchun of the Province of Kiangsu, threatened war upon Lu-Tuchun of the neighbouring Province of Chekiang. A chorus of protest arose from the intelligentsia of the two provinces, and hopeful persons pointed to the beginnings of Chinese public opinion. Chi and Lu exchanged notes of good understanding; all seemed peaceful. In September, 1924, Chi attacked Lu, and at the moment of writing it appears that Lu is about to retire to the security and comfort of a residence in the International concessions at Shanghai. It has been a small war, and would have aroused no interest in England but for the fact that it was fought in the vicinity of Shanghai.

The 5,000 and odd acres of soil in that part of China which are governed by the only truly international and harmonious administration in the world are inhabited by about 900,000 persons, of whom approximately 85 per cent. are Chinese. These international settlements are the nerve-centres of Far Eastern trade. The warships of half a dozen nations are anchored off the Piccadilly of Shanghai, and the town is not in the slightest danger from the war. If one imagines the governor of Kent making war upon his colleague of Surrey, both men paying the closest attention to the requirements of the London County Council (Shanghai Municipal Council), one obtains an accurate picture of the position of Shanghai.

that the commerce of China defies the chaos and increases steadily. It must be remembered, in probing these mysteries, that "War" in China is not conducted with that ruthless efficiency of which Westerners have recently proved themselves past-masters. The Chinese argue that since war always ends in a compromise, why not have the compromise without the fighting? If desultory operations take place, it is rare, indeed, that negotiations between the belligerents are suspended. In a small war of which the present writer had some personal knowledge, there were three generals all fighting and negotiating at the same time. The fighting consisted of a parsimonious discharge of ammunition into the blue.

Although these "parties" are no more than froth upon the surface of the Chinese nation, their quarrels are of interest to foreigners, since the victory of one party would give it the partial domestic control of a vast country and the entire control of its foreign policy.

The principal men in the Chihi party are Wu Pei-fu and Tsao Kun. Tsao Kun is now President of China. Wu Pei-fu is the fighting man of the group, and controls about 100,000 troops, of whom the most efficient are under the iron discipline of the "Christian General" Feng. For several years the Chihi party have pursued a policy which has for its object the "unification" of China by force. The obstacles before them have included a number of independent and semi-independent Tuchuns in the west of China. Several expeditions have been launched against these apostles of self-determination with the object of bringing them under the Chihi umbrella. The result has been moderate. In 1919 the Central Government at Peking was in the hands of the Anfu clique, who were openly subsidised by Japan. The scandal became so intolerable that Wu Pei-fu and the Chihi party drove the Anfu people from power, and thenceforward began the policy of Chihi supremacy.

These proceedings were at first regarded with benevolence by another important person in China whose name often appears in the English press. This is Chang Tso-lin, the Super-Tuchun of Manchuria, an able dictator and the leader of the Fengtien group. This great satrap was ready enough to see the Anfu people cast out, but showed hostility to the unification policy of the Chihi party. In 1922 he came down from the north past the east end of the Great Wall, and hung like a storm-cloud over Peking. Wu Pei-fu accepted the challenge, and a considerable campaign took place, as a result of which Chang retired into his own provinces. The way was now clear for the public assumption by the Chihi party of the Central Government.

In the autumn of 1923 Tsao Kun, having engineered the resignation of the honest, but simple, gentleman who was then President, purchased the Presidential office from the Legislative Assembly, which justifies a corrupt existence by hanging about Peking. The control of the Central Government carries with it the requisite of recognition by the foreign Powers. This is not worth more than gold, but it is worth much fine silver. To the further development of the Chihi plan there were then two immediate obstacles. In the Province of Chekiang Lu still remained as a centre of Anfu influence. It was decided to oust him, and the result is now being reported from day to day. It seems to have been successful. The other obstacle was, and still is, in the extreme south of Canton. In the city of Rams the veteran Sun Yat-sen, leader of the Ku-min Tang revolutionary party, which was instrumental in bringing about the downfall of the Manchus in 1911, ceaselessly proclaims that his provisional government is the only true ark of the Covenant and shrine of Republican principles. Wu Pei-fu has encouraged sundry expeditions against Sun Yat-sen, but with no permanent success. Sun has returned the compliment with like result. Meanwhile, Chang Tso-lin, of the Fengtien party, emphatically one of the "Greater Fleas," has again become alarmed at the steadily growing power of the Chihi party. He sees that the elimination of the Anfu man in Chekiang will remove another thorn from the Chihi flesh, and that there will then only remain Sun Yat-sen and himself. Though worked by Wu Pei-fu in 1922, Chang Tso-lin is as strong as he has ever been. One hundred thousand troops, aircraft, Japanese-trained staff officers, and a considerable technical equipment,

DISARMAMENT.

WHAT DOES BRITISH REQUEST MEAN?

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, November 19. The "Daily Telegraph's" diplomatic correspondent constructs the British request to omit the Disarmament Protocol from the agenda of the League Council meeting on December 8, as a diplomatic euphemism. It will be scrapped. He thinks the decision need cause little surprise in view of the strong objections by the Dominions, and even in one respect by such a staunch advocate of the League as Viscount Grey of Fallodon.

The paper expresses the opinion that the present action implies a return to the original covenant, together with possible elaboration of new procedure for arbitration on justifiable questions by the World Court at the Hague.

Reuter understands that the British request cabled yesterday in no wise means the scrapping of the protocol. The position is that the short time before December 8 is not considered enough to give sufficient opportunity for the fullest consideration of such an important matter in consultation with the Dominions. There is no desire to turn down the present scheme without the substitution of a constructive plan.

FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

PURPOSE OF RECOGNITION EXPLAINED.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, November 19. According to "Le Petit Parisien" M. Herriot made a statement before the Foreign Affairs committee of the Chamber of Deputies in regard to Russian recognition. He declared the Bolsheviks were carrying out active propaganda in the French colonies and protectorates which it was necessary to watch closely.

The programme of the Franco-Russian Conference would include the revision of treaties with the former Russian Government, of diplomatic and consular clauses, the regulation of movements of respective nationals, the settlement of past loans and state and private property in France and Russia, and the application of a new regime regarding private property and the application of laws.

Poland and Rumania had not objected to the recognition of the Soviet.

A Communist deputy suggested that Russian debts ought to be considered on the same basis as inter-allied debts. M. Herriot declared such a parallel was unjustified.

M. Jean Herbet has been appointed Ambassador to Russia.

WEMBLEY.

GUARANTEE FOR DOMINIONS INCREASED.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, November 19. In connection with the proposed re-opening of Wembley in 1925, the "Times" understands that the Government intends to propose to Parliament to increase the national guarantee to the Exhibition from the present figure of £500,000 to £1,000,000. The difference would be placed at the disposal of the Exhibition Board, which would then be enabled to help Dominions, Colonies and Dependencies which feel they are not in a position to bear the whole of the cost of a further exhibit. There is reason to believe an exhibit would be arranged in a number of cases if some such help is forthcoming.

SOUTH AFRICA TO PARTICIPATE.

CAPE TOWN, November 19. The Government of the Union of South Africa has decided to participate at Wembley Exhibition in 1925.

grace his resources. He is now engaged in the customary denunciation of his enemies by edict and telegram. It may be that the unexpectedly early collapse of the Anfu man will cause Chang to pause and await a more opportune moment at which to attack the Chihi party; it may be that the stage is now clear for a really serious struggle between the Chihi party and its most serious enemy, Chang Tso-lin. If that event took place and a decision followed, it would affect all China. But if a real decision, as that term is understood in the West, did emerge from such a war between the Great Fleas, it would be an event approaching the miraculous. For, as the Chinese say: "Armies are maintained for years, but only used on a single day." It is the maintenance of armies, rather than their employment, which is found to be so profitable a livelihood by most of the personalities in modern China.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

HONGKONG SCORE VICTORY OVER MALAYA.

THE CLOSING SCENE.

Up to Hancock's last boundary hit in the final stages of the interport cricket match between Malaya and Hongkong (a report of which till our going to press appeared in yesterday's issue) the result was in doubt.

Cricket in general will be pleased that it was left to Hongkong's veteran skipper to make the last stand against the friendly foe and there should be more rejoicing as he made the winning hit, giving Hongkong victory by 2 wickets.

Malaya were certainly valiant for the grand fight they put up. When the eighth wicket fell at 45, with Hongkong three short of victory, the last two men might have been disposed of with little or no addition.

Quick was the mainstay of the Hongkong innings, scoring his 67 in confident style without giving a chance.

Getting two fours directly he got to the wicket, Owen Hughes threw away his wicket by poking about instead of hitting out being bowled off his pads.

After Owen Hughes' departure Hancock was very cautious. Though unable to reproduce the form of his best years, Hancock made several shots which testified to his still being a first-class batsman. When Owen Hughes left, Hongkong required 21 to win with 4 wickets to go.

One by one the runs were hit off the crowd sitting in suspense as Hargreaves (who had attempted to stone wall) and Booker (who hit two twos in fine style) were sent back. Powell eventually partnered Hancock till Hongkong were level when the skipper hit Grenier's last ball of the over and match, for a four to leg.

Malaya deserve to be complimented on their excellent fight. At no stage were they in front, but they never ceased to try. Once more Holmes-Brown proved himself an able leader, using his rather meagre bowling resources to great advantage. Grenier bowled with his head, Thompson was dangerous until he got tired, and Knight persevered, but let two or three boundaries at a critical stage.

Final scores follow:

Malaya—1st innings 147.

Hongkong—1st innings 159.

Malaya—2nd innings.

Flight Lieut. G. E. Livock, b

Powell, not out..... 41

W. N. Edwards, b Bowker..... 10

N. Grenier, c Hancock, b Reed..... 14

R. T. Foster, b Bowker..... 2

G. M. Brand, c Owen Hughes, b Reed..... 0

P. N. Knight, b Bowker..... 0

A. E. Holmes Brown, c Powell, b Quick..... 32

Lieut. R. H. Phayre, c Hancock, b Powell..... 33

N. H. P. Whitley, l.b.w. Powell..... 9

Lieut. F. H. Thompson, st. Stripp, b Powell..... 11

D. F. Stiven, not out..... 8

Extras..... 6

Total.....157

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.

Reed..... 21 0 48 2

Bowker..... 12 0 42 3

Powell..... 13 3 34 4

Quick..... 8 3 27 1

Hongkong—2nd innings.

R. E. A. Webster, c Foster, b

Knight..... 1

Rev. E. K. Quick, b Thompson..... 67

A. W. Ramsay, c Edwards, b

Thompson..... 11

C. M. S. A. Stripp, c Foster, b

Grenier..... 2

T. E. Pearce, b Grenier..... 15

H. R. B. Hancock, not out..... 32

H. Owen Hughes, b Knight..... 9

P. Lieut.-Com. G. E. L. Hargreaves, c Thompson, b

Knight..... 4

A. C. T. Bowker, c and b

Knight..... 2

Rev. T. B. Powell, not out..... 4

Extras..... 2

Total (for 8 wks.)...149

E. B. Reed did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.

Thompson..... 10 1 40 2

Knight..... 12 2 34 4

Grenier..... 13 1 46 2

Whitley..... 4 0 10 0

Holmes Brown..... 3 0 8 0

R. 101.

MAMMOTH AIR SHIP

BEING BUILT.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, November 19. A feature of the mammoth new airship R101, which will be constructed by the Air Ministry at Cardington for the service to India, will be propellers made of steel in order to resist tropical conditions. The main part of the airship will be stainless steel. Its length will be 720 feet, height 140 feet and maximum diameter 130 feet. It will have a lifting power of 155 tons. The engines will burn heavy gas and oil fuel. It is anticipated that construction will be ready to take her home trials at the end of 1925, and make her first trial to India in 1927.

FIFTY YEARS OLD.

"MYSTERY OF 'MARIE CELESTE'."

A SKIPPER'S THEORY.

London, October 8.—No sea tragedy has aroused more speculation or given rise to more fantastic tales than the "Marie Celeste." For the last fifty years the shipping world has been conjecturing what really happened to this ship.

Captain J. L. Vivian Millett, of "Cutty Sark" fame, has given the following new solution. In the light of actual sea experience and cold logic it is a solution which may appeal to practical seafarers as better than any other theory ever put forth in the dozens of "true" accounts which have been published from time to time.

In 1872, "The Facts," said Captain Millett, "are that the brigantine 'Marie Celeste,' 236 tons, owned by Captain J. H. Winchester, of New York, who was one time in command of her, loaded with oil and spirits, and sailed for New York, under the command of Captain Benjamin Briggs, on November 7, 1872. The mate was Henry Bislow, there were seven hands before the mast, and also the captain's wife and his little girl aged seven. On December 5, she was picked up by the English brig 'Dei Gratia' in lat. 38 20, long 17 50, or 500 miles due west of Lisbon.

Three hands of the 'Dei Gratia' sailed her to Gibraltar, where she arrived on December 13. A survey was held on her, and the ship was found in absolutely perfect order. One hatch cover was off, and one boat missing. There was no damage anywhere except a scur on the bow. All the crew's effects were intact, and the dresses and jewellery of the captain's wife all in their places.

REMAINS OF BREAKFAST. The remains of breakfast were found on the table. The log was written up to November 24, and the slate log to 8 o'clock on November 25, proving that the ship was abandoned on that day.

My theory is after very careful consideration that, when near the Morocco coast in a dead calm, a sailing boat was seen, approaching the 'Marie Celeste' at shortly after 8 o'clock in the morning, and on bringing the telescope to bear she was seen to be full of Moors, who, by aid of sweeps, were rapidly approaching the ship.

FLED FROM PIRATES. The captain fearing they were pirates fled into a panic, together with the rest of the crew, and hastily decided that it would be better to abandon the ship to the pirates and risk their lives in the small boat, which was probably hanging by davits or chocks over the stern, rather than remain on the ship when unable to defend her.

Everyone scrambled into the boat and they pulled away from the ship, but the Moors observing this, to the dismay of the captain and crew, must have decided that, as it was a calm and the ship was not moving through the water, they could both capture the crew, to sell them into slavery and the ship as well.

WOMEN CAPTIVES. They pursued the boat, whose crew were desperately endeavouring to out-distance them, and it probably took some time before the galleys were able to run them down. Then the crew was transferred to the galleys. To the delight of the Moors a woman and girl were among the captives.

Meanwhile a breeze sprang up, and to the Moors' dismay they found the 'Marie Celeste' moving through the water and sailing so well that it probably took them several hours to cut her off.

They then would have lowered their sails, and by means of their sweeps and the rudder, or a big oar used for steering, worked into position, so that as the ship sailed up to them they could drop alongside. Unfortunately for them, just as they were a few yards ahead of the ship manoeuvring to come alongside, she must have luffed up in the wind, and, sailing at a good speed, have crashed into the stern of the galleys, which, being deeply loaded, owing to the captives being aboard, may not have only been smashed, but by the waves from the bows of the brig, would probably be driven down under the water so that the brig passed over her. This threw everyone out of the boat and left them struggling in the sea.

ALL PERISHED. The brig continued her course, and the Moors and the crew of the 'Marie Celeste' all perished. The 'Marie Celeste' was picked up ten days afterwards in a position 500 miles from the place where she was abandoned. This is quite possible, as a ship, although not under control, could still sail with favourable winds.

In those days, as is well known, the RIF plates were still in existence. There were no close relations either in business or friendship between the Europeans and themselves. Many a small ship has been posted as missing and the cause has been attributed to sea casualty, when, if only the truth were known, they have been

DRUID'S CURSE.

STONEHENGE OWNER AND FAMILY DOOMED.

Permission has been given for the burial at Stonehenge of the ashes of a member of the Society of Druids.

Some time called the "Universalist Church," the adherents prefer the name of the "Society of Druids." They claim spiritual descent from the priests of pre-Roman times.

"From time to time," said Mr. W. Macgregor-Reid, the Arch-druid, to a "Daily Chronicle" representative, "we have had a great deal of trouble with regard to Stonehenge, which to us is not a ruin, but a book conveying the most sacred message."

In 1913, on the occasion of the Sunrise Solstice, our service was interrupted and we were turned off the ground by police.

A solemn curse was uttered in consequence, and by the time Midsummer Day had come round next year, the then owner of Stonehenge, his son, and the seven policemen who had laid hands upon us, were all dead.

"We are described as an obscure sect, but we are at least an old one, and we are becoming less and less obscure. Before the war we had just over 200 students; to-day we have 2,300. Ours is the religion of common-sense. We believe in usefulness."

Further inquiries by the "Chronicle," however, show that the curse was not so effective as the Arch-druid states, that all who were on duty at Stonehenge on the morning of June 21, 1913, are to-day very much alive.

"With two exceptions they are still serving in the Wiltshire County Police; the superintendent and one constable present on that occasion having retired from the force. The custodian is also still doing duty there, although no longer a young man."

The then owner of Stonehenge, Sir E. Antroub, died in February, 1915, aged 67, his death being probably hastened by that of his only son, who died serving his country in Flanders on October 24, 1914.

HUSBAND'S INDIGESTION. WIFE'S ANAEMIA.

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captured by Moors, and when looted been sunk in order to leave no trace. The crews were either killed or sold into captivity in the interior of Morocco."

CAPTAIN MILLETT.

Captain J. L. Vivian Millett served his time in the famous ships "The Tweed" and "Cutty Sark" belonging to Captain J. Willis, of London. He obtained command when 27 years of age, on the steamer "Brucadilla," owned by J. Temperley and Co., of London. He was master of three of his ships until he left the sea in 1899. The captain, who is wonderfully hale and active to-day, may have been said to have led two separate lives—one at sea, in a 11 and steam, for 21 years, and "on shore" for 25 years on the land.

In 1899 he took a small position in the Furber Wharf and Saw Mills Co., of which to-day he is the managing director.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

IN THE MATTER OF COMPANIES ORDINANCE 1911

and

IN THE MATTER OF RAH SYNDICATE LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Section 183 of the Companies Ordinance (No. 58 of 1911) a general Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the office of the Liquidator, Prince's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on TUESDAY the 23rd December 1924 at noon.

Business.—To pass the Final Accounts of the Liquidator.

Dated, this 19th day of November 1924.

J. A. PLUMMER,

Liquidator.

NOTICE.

MR. F. R. JONES is appointed MANAGER of our Hongkong Branch from Date of accession to Mr. A. W. STEWART-JONES who has been transferred to Shanghai.

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For further particulars apply to—

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Hongkong, 20th November, 1924.

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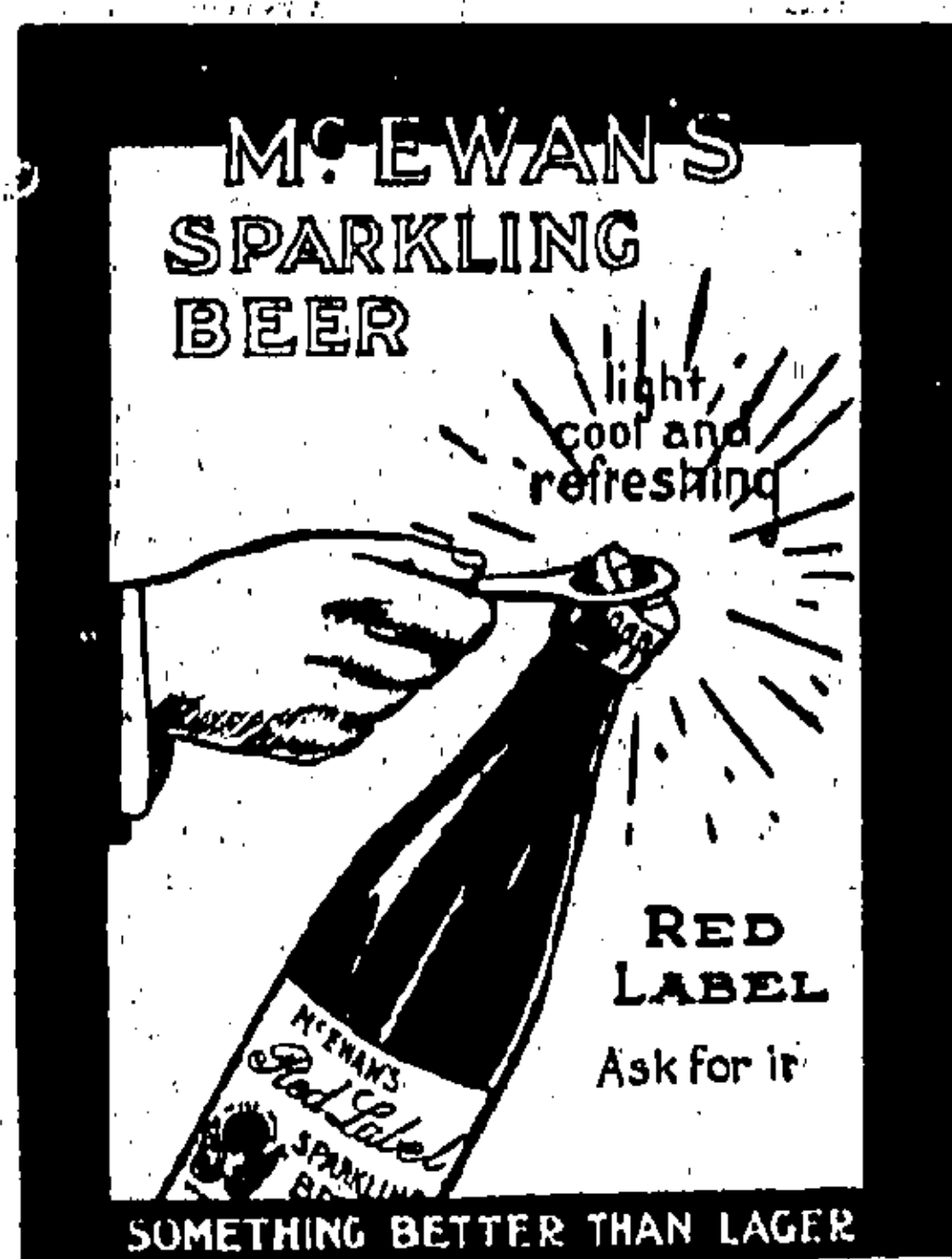
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

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President Coolidge kept a Cabinet meeting waiting half an hour while he laughed at an entertainment on the White House lawn, staged by members of the Coolidge-Daves Theatrical League, composed of many of the leading men and women on the American stage.

FIRST PHOTOGRAPH OF DISASTROUS RUSSIAN FLOOD.



The most disastrous floods in Russia for the past hundred years nearly inundated Leningrad (formerly St. Petersburg) and for a time cut the city off from the rest of the world. At points the water was 12 feet over the city. This photograph shows one of the business streets, covered with debris, after the water had partially subsided.

IS SPANISH ROYALTY DOOMED TO BE EXILED?



KING ALFONSO XIII, GEN. DE RIVERA, PRINCE D'ASTURIAS, VICENTE D. IBANEZ (Below) QUEEN VICTORIA, PRINCESS DEATHICE & CHRISTINE.

The resentment that has sprung up in Spain over losses in the protracted war with the Rif tribes for possession of Morocco and also over the acts of the Spanish Dictator, General Primo Rivera, has been crystallized by Vicente Blasco Ibañez, world-renowned Spanish author of the "Four Horsemen," "Blood and Sand" and other novels. Ibañez has placed himself at the head of a party which declares it will never rest until Alfonso and his English queen, Victoria, have been driven from the throne and a republic established. The Prince d'Asturias is the heir to the Spanish throne. His two beautiful sisters are also shown here.

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LOUISE GENEVIEVE MCDONNELL

Louise Genevieve McDonnell, a twenty-one-year-old shop girl, bequeathed £16,000 by her godfather, James O'Connor, gave half the money to her mother, kept her job in the store glove counter, and declared she would devote her income to educating her younger brothers and sisters.

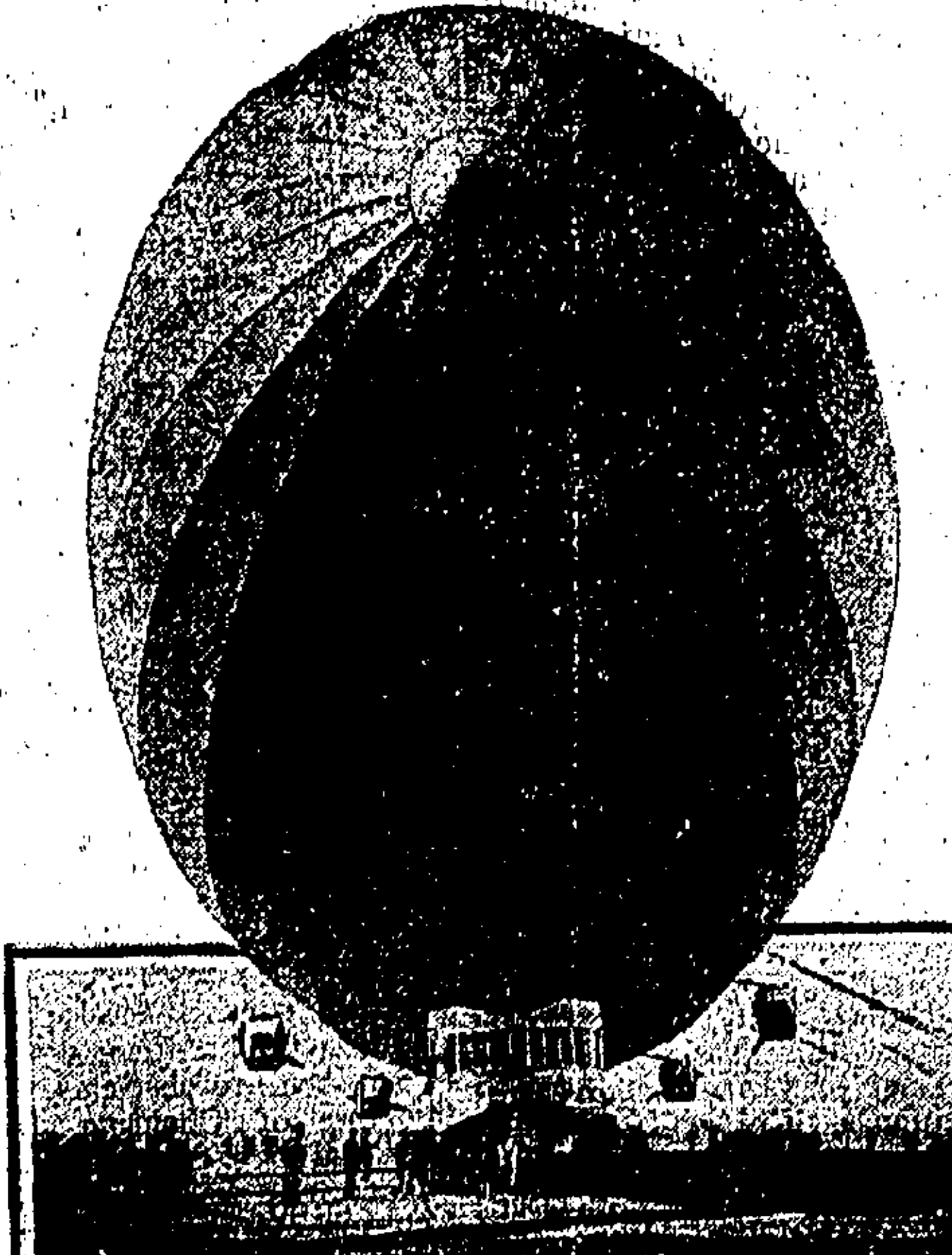
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RAMMING RUM RUNNER.

One of the Federal coast guard boats operating against rum runner in the Detroit River, is shown here ramming a liquor smuggler, capturing the bootlegging crew. The rum boats work from bases on the Canadian shore and are daring in their operations.

GIANT AIRSHIP ENTERING HANGAR.



"WALK THE SHIP."

"Walk the ship" was the command given the ground crew that seized guy ropes and walked the ZR-3 into her hangar at Lakehurst, New Jersey, at the end of her record breaking flight from Friedrichshafen, Germany, 6,000 miles, which she negotiated in eighty-one hours and seventeen minutes.

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